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Reply brief dated 4/25/08 has been noted and made of record. Attached is the full english translation of JP-U-6-21949 which was prior art used in the rejection. No further action by the examiner is necessary. The case is being forwarded to the BPAI for decision on the appeal.

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